Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 11, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of officers and employes of certain educational institutions and other expenses of maintaining and conducting them, as follows, to-wit: The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, State Experiment Station, the North Texas Junior Agricultural College, John Tarleton Agricultural College, Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, the University of Texas (including the Medical Branch at Galveston and the College of Mines and Metallurgy at El Paso), College of Industrial Arts, Texas Technological College, East Texas State Teachers College at Commerce, North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville, Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College at Nacogdoches, College of Arts and Industries at Kingsville, Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos, Sul Ross State Teachers College at Alpine, West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, Texas School for the Blind and Texas School for the Deaf, for years beginning September 1, 1929, and ending August 31, 1931, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 11, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of officers and employes of certain eleemosynary institutions of the State and other expenses of maintaining and conducting them for the two fiscal years beginning September 1, 1929, and ending August 31, 1931, as follows, towit: Abilene State Hospital, Austin State School, Austin State Hospital, Confederate Home, Confederate Woman's Home, Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute for Colored Youths, Girls' Training

School, Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, State Hospital for Crippled and Deformed Children at Galveston, State Juvenile Training School, State Orphans' Home, Rusk State Hospital, State Psychopathic Hospital, Terrell State Hospital, State Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Wichita Falls State Hospital, San Antonio State Hospital, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 113, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 4, of Chapter 31, of the General and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Fortieth Legislature at its First Called Session, the same being a special road law for Robertson county; said Section 4 authorizing the commissioners court to issue bonds of said county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes and levy a tax in payment thereof, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

## EIGHTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Friday, June 14, 1929.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a.m. and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

# RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed in the present of the House, after giving due notice thereof and its caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

H. C. R. No. 7, Relating to appointments of certain Representatives.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Strong:

H. B. No. 156, A bill to be entitled

"An Act validating, ratifying and approving the acts and proceedings of the county board of school trustees relating to annexation of territory to certain independent school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Metcalfe: H. B. No. 157, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring drivers of trucks, automobiles and other vehicles to have and exhibit to peace officers upon demand written permit covering movements of livestock and domestic fowls contained therein, or to make written statement in the absence of said permit, and providing penalties for failing to exhibit the same or to make said statement or having false or forged permit, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Pope of Nueces:

H. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the concentration of the Texas Prison System; increasing the duties, powers and functions of the Texas Prison Board; providing for the construction and building of buildings and walls and the location of a new penitentiary; providing for the removal of prisoners; providing for the purchase and sale of land and the sale and manner thereof of property now controlled and used by the Prison System; providing for the purchase and sale of products by said system and also by the Board of Control for other State institutions and purposes; making appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

By Mr. Pope of Nueces:

H. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 116 of the Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, 1917, so as to permit the use of the moneys therein granted and donated to the payment of the interest and sinking fund of bonds issued under Chapter 138, General Laws of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 1921, whenever there is a surplus of said funds over and above the requirements of the bonds issued under this act; providing for the merging of these sinking funds, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. McCombs and Mr. Hornaday: H. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 25 of the Acts of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, as amended by House bill No. 489, which is Chapter 280 of the Acts of the Fortieth Legislature, Regular Session, and as amended by House bill No. 159 of the General Laws passed by the Fortyfirst Legislature, First Called Session, by striking out all of Section 2 of said House bill No. 159, and, in lieu of said Section 2 to make provision for the following purposes, viz.: (1) To make adequate the boundaries of districts rendering service to a city, town or village, so that the boundaries of the district may be made to include the total area of the city, town or village benefited or to be benefited by the works of a district. (2) To make provision for extending the boundaries of a district exercising sanitary powers under the provisions of said Section 17a of said (3) To make provision Chapter 280. for extending the boundaries of districts than other sanitary districts municipal districts, when it is desired to include in such district rural lands. (4) Also, to provide an additional manner in which rural lands may be added to a district other than a district exercising sanitary powers. (5) And declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Conserva-

tion and Reclamation.

By Mr. Strong:

H. B. No. 161, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating, ratifying and approving the acts and proceedings of the county board of school trustees relating to annexation of territory to certain independent school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Strong:

H. B. No. 162, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating, ratifying and approving the acts and proceedings of the county board of school trustees relating to annexation of territory to certain independent school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Sanders:

H. B. No. 163, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the open season on squirrels in certain counties; providing penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and

Fisheries.

By Mr. Heaton:

H. B. No. 164, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring the wild beaver, wild otter, wild mink, wild ringtail cat, wild badger, wild pole-cat or skunk, wild opossum, wild fox and wild civet cat to be fur-bearing animals and making it unlawful to take any of the fur-bearing animals of this State by means of a steel trap, deadfall or snare, in the counties of Panola, Shelby, Nacogdoches, Rusk, Cherokee, Angelina, San Augustine, Hardin, Harris, Polk, San Jacinto, Brazos, Trinity, Tyler, Liberty, Anderson and Sabine; providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and

Fisheries.

By Mr. Hines and Mr. Hubbard:

H. B. No. 165, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 904 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1925, relating to fees of non-residents who reside in counties in the State of Arkansas which border upon the State of Texas, may hunt in the counties of Cass and Bowie in the State of Texas upon the same terms and upon the payment of the same license fees as residents of the State of Texas in counties other than their own, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and

Fisheries.

By Mr. Purl, Mr. Holder and Mr. Barron:

H. B. No. 166, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the board of directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to purchase, acquire and construct permanent improvements, including dormitories, stadiums, and athletic fields, and for the improvement of such structures heretofore erected; providing for the equipping and furnishing of the same; providing for the issuance and registration of revenue bonds and revenue notes, and for the disposition and pledging of the revenues derived from the operation and control of such dormitories, athletic fields, stadiums and other improvements; authorizing the purchase and sale of certain lands; imposing the power to contract and vesting general authority in the board of directors for the purposes of carrying out the provisions hereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Kemble and Mr. Morse:

H. B. No. 167, A bill to be entitled

Forty-first Legislature, Chapter 314, the same being the regulation of motor carriers transporting property over public highways, so as to provide for cancellation of insurance policies on property insured under said act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Finlay:

H. B. No. 168, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 53 of Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature so as hereafter cover Dimmit, Zavala, Medina, Uvalde, DeWitt, Brown, Hamilton, Coryell, Gonzales, Lamar, Bell, Collins, Grayson, Gillespie, Kendall, Blanco, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, San Saba, Cooke, Denton, Jefferson, Orange, Nolan, Mitchell. Fisher, Chambers, Travis, Hardin and Fannin counties and permit the taking or catching of suckers, buffalo, carp, shad and gar at any time in any fresh water rivers, creeks, or lakes in the counties of Burnet, Williamson and Lampasas, Dimmit, Zavala, Medina, Uvalde, DeWitt, Brown, Hamilton, Coryell, Gonzales, Lamar, Bell, Collins, Grayson, Gillespie, Kendall, Blanco, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, San Saba, Cooke, Denton, Jefferson, Orange, Mitchell, Fisher, Nolan, Chambers, Travis, Hardin, and Fannin with a seine or net with not less than a four-inch size mesh and providing that catfish, crappie, perch, bass and other kind of fish, if any, caught in such seine or net shall be immediately released in the waters where caught and that the owner or one in possession of said seine or net shall, within five days from and after the using of same, make a report under oath to the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner, reporting the name of each and every person in the party and showing in said report that all fish not permitted to be caught or taken were released as aforesaid, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Barron:

H. B. No. 169, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that when a claim or claims are filed under Chapter 17 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, that a bond may be filed providing the amount and terms of such bond for notice, and prescribing period of the limitation of ac-"An Act amending Session Acts of the | tion to enforce such bond; providing incidental matters, and declaring an emergency.'

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

# MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. Pat Dougherty, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the bar of the House, and being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

> Executive Office, Austin, Texas, June 14, 1929.

To the Honorable Forty-first Legislature:

At the request of members of the Legislature the following subjects are submitted for your consideration:

- 1. Amendment of Section 1, Chapter 55, Acts of the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature, to correct defects therein.
- 2. The amendment to Section 1, House bill No. 196, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, to correct defects therein.
- 3. The amendment of Chapter 314, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature, to correct defects therein, and the enactment of laws to control the issuance of passes by persons, firms and corporations engaged as common carriers in transporting passengers and freight by motor vehicles.
- 4. The amendment of House bill No. 180, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, to correct defects therein.
- 5. The amendment of Article 1265, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, to make it conform with the recent holding of the Supreme Court of Texas.
- 6. The enactment of statutes to give further effect to Section 59, of Article 16, of the Constitution, in the formation of conservation and reclamation districts.
- 7. The amendment of House bill No. 159, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, First Called Session, to correct defects therein.
- 8. The amendment of Senate bill No. 37, Acts of the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature.
- 9. The attached bill, by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, dealing with the filing of liens.
- 10. There have been so many requests for the submission of local game and fish laws that it is impractical to attempt to list them separately, and I herewith submit the subject of enacting

game and fish in the counties of your respective districts.

> Respectfully submitted, DAN MOODY, Governor of Texas.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, June 14, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to. inform the House that the Senate has passed

- S. B. No. 38, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the replevy by the defendant of personal property seized under sequestration, etc., and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 31, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to financial management and control of any incorporated city or town that has, or may hereafter, default in payment of bonds or other obligations lawfully issued thereby, etc., and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection of a memorial building in memory of David Crockett, Texas hero of the Alamo, in a park now owned by the city of Crockett, and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 64, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Road District No. 1 in Lavaca county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act making certain emergency appropriations out of the general revenue of the State for the Judiciary Department of the State government for the balance of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1927, and 1929, and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 77, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the Judiciary Department of the State government of the State of Texas for the fiscal years ending August 31, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1928, and 1929, and declaring an emergency.'
- S. B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the benefit of Slocum Consolidated School District No. 5 of Anderson county on account of the recent destruction of the school buildings and property in the territory now composing laws dealing with conservation of wild | said district; directing the expenditure

of said money, and declaring an emer-

gency."

S. B. No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation of \$28,911.47, or so much thereof as may be necessary, payable out of the general revenue not otherwise appropriated, etc., said appropriation being for the traveling, clerical and other expenses of the board of managers and all other expenses connected with the sale and maintenance, operation or lease of said railroad, and being for the period up to and including August 31, 1931, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salary of the court reporter in each judicial district in this State containing eight or more counties having a combined population according to the latest United States census of not less than 50,500 and not more than 50,600, and prescribing the manner of the payment of same, and

declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 105, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salary of the court reporter in each judicial district in this State containing four or more counties having a combined population according to the latest United States census of not less than 45,100 and not more than 45,300, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS, Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

Mr. Woodruff moved that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of considering charges filed against the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

The motion prevailed.

The House then accordingly, at 10:05 o'clock a. m., resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House, Mr. Barron being called to the chair.

(In Committee of the Whole House, Mr. Barron in the chair.)

(Mr. Rountree in the chair.)

(Mr. Barron in the chair.)

## IN THE HOUSE.

## (Mr. Barron in the chair.)

At 12 o'clock m., Mr. Barron, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House, reported to the House that the Committee desired to rise, report progling thereon; providing for a penalty for the violation thereof; and providing for the arrest of such persons; repealing Article 1378 of the Penal Code of

ress, and ask leave to sit again at 2 o'clock p. m. today.

The House adopted the report.

#### BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Strong, House bills Nos. 156, 161 and 162 were ordered not printed.

#### RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Sanders, the House recessed until 2 o'clock p. m. today.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Sherrill and Mr. Tillotson:

H. B. No. 170, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any water improvement district to create emergency loans and issue interim bonds for the purposes, in the manner and under the restrictions and limitations now provided by Section 1, House bill No. 159, Acts of Forty-first Legislature, First Called Session, relating to water control and improvement districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

By Mr. Graves of Williamson and Mr. Petsch:

H. B. No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of House bill No. 196, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature. amending Article 1377 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, providing for a more efficient law prohibiting hunting, fishing or camping on the enclosed land of another without the consent of the owner; providing that this act shall not apply to any enclosed lands which are leased or rented for hunting, fishing or camping privileges for a greater sum than 25 cents per acre per annum or where the owner, his agent or representative has charged more than \$4 per day per person for the privilege of hunting thereon; providing for a penalty for the violation thereof; and providing

the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. O'Neill, Mr. White, Mr. Cox of Navarro and Mr. Hines:

H. B. No. 172, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 610, Revised Criminal Statutes, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal

Jurisprudence.

# SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 31, to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations. Senate bill No. 38, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 47. to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 64, to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

Senate bill No. 75, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 77, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 78, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 79, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 98, to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate bill No. 105, to the Committee on State Affairs.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

Mr. Wallace moved that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of considering charges filed against the Commissioner of the General Land it correctly engrossed. Office.

The motion prevailed.

The House then accordingly, at 2:05 o'clock p. m., resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House, Mr. Barron being called to the chair.

(In Committee of the Whole House, Mr. Barron in the chair.)

(Pending taking testimony, Mr. Holder occupied the chair temporarily.)

#### IN THE HOUSE.

(Mr. Barron in the chair.)

Chairman of the Committee of the claring an emergency,"

Whole House, reported to the House that the Committee desired to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again at 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The report was adopted.

#### RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Purl, the House, at 5:50 o'clock p. m., took recess to 9:15 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

### APPENDIX.

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Penitentiaries: House bill No. 124. Appropriations: House bill No. 23. Revenue and Taxation: House bill No. 56.

Municipal and Private Corporations: House bill No. 145.

#### REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Local and Special Laws passed in the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, which act amended the then existing special road law of San Jacinto county, Texas, making provision for the refunding of indebtedness incurred by said bill for road and bridge purposes; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 81, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix the compensation of county commissioners in every county having a population of more than 12,-250 and less than 12,350, according to the latest United States census; regu-At 5:45 o'clock p. m. Mr. Barron, lating the payment of same, and de-

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the fees and salary of the official shorthand reporters of the county courts at law in any county having a population of not less than 202,000 and not more than 203,000, according to the latest Federal census, and providing the manner of its payment, and declaring an emergency,

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 12, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 112, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the benefit of Slocum Consolidated School District No. 5 of Anderson county on account of the recent destruction of the school buildings and property in the territory now composing said district; directing the expenditure of said money, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the registration of motor vehicles, trailers, semi-trailers or other devices drawn, transported or used on the public highways; prescribing the license fees required for their registration; providing for the distribution and apportionment of license fees collected pursuant hereto; prescribing the compensation and duties of the county tax collectors in connection with the administration of this act; making other provisions incidental to the purposes and for the administration of this act; pro- mittee on Senate bill No. 5:

viding for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; fixing the date this act shall take effect; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed. DeWOLFE, for Chairman.

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 14, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 7047, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, by adding a new section thereto, to be known as Section 40, so as to provide occupation tax upon emigrant nts; defining 'emigrant agents'; agents; providing manner of payment of tax; repealing House bill No. 207, passed by the First Called Session of the Fortyfirst Legislature of Texas and approved by the Governor of Texas, May 17, 1929, and declaring an emergency,"

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

DeWOLFE, for Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, June 13, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Enrolled

Bills, to whom was referred H. C. R. No. 7, Relating to farm relief,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

# EIGHTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Saturday, June 15, 1929.)

The House met at 9:15 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL NO. 5.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following conference com-